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## BRITAIN AWAKES!



### More Men, Warships, Guns and 'Planes—Secret Alliance Fear

By OUR DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

BRITAIN'S re-armament scheme, announced yesterday, while the greatest which this country has put into being in peace time, will not be judged as excessive in view of the menacing international situation.

Gravest among the portents of coming trouble is the belief that Germany and Japan may have concluded a secret alliance. Both of these great powers are outside the League of Nations; both are seeking expansion.

It is significant that, in the British plan, most of the new arms factories will be on the west coast, as far away from the Continent as possible.

Germany is rearming, particularly in the air, at a prodigious rate, and it is generally regarded as probable that she will seize on the mutual assistance pact between France and Soviet Russia to free herself from her obligations under the Locarno Pact which guarantees the eastern frontiers of France.

#### How They Will Grow

##### THE NAVY:

TWO NEW BATTLESHIPS TO BE LAID DOWN. TWENTY NEW CRUISERS TO BE ADDED TO THE PRESENT FIFTY.

Steady replacement programme for destroyers and submarines. Modernisation of existing battleships.

NAVY PERSONNEL TO BE GRADUALLY INCREASED BY 6,000 MEN IN A YEAR'S TIME.

New aircraft-carrier and expansion of air arm.

##### ARMY:

Four new battalions of infantry. Army formations to be reorganised and to be

EQUIPPED WITH THE MOST MODERN ARMAMENT AND MATERIAL, WITH ADEQUATE RESERVES OF AMMUNITION AND STORES.

Field artillery to be thoroughly modernised. Territorial Army to support Regular Army abroad if required. Efficiency of the force to be increased.

##### THE AIR FORCE:

FIRST LINE MACHINES TO BE INCREASED TO 1,750, EXCLUSIVE OF THE FLEET AIR ARM.

Four new auxiliary squadrons to be formed for co-operation with the Territorial Army.

In the White Paper giving the Government proposals (the text of which begins on page 5), the word "deterrent" appears many times.

That word emphasises the fact that our re-armament programme is not directed against any particular Power. It is a reminder to other nations to keep their hands off Britain.

A tremendous Air Force—larger than that provided for in the re-armament plans put forward yesterday by the British Government—a much stronger Navy and a highly mechanised Army are regarded as essential to the security of this country and of the Empire, and to enable Britain to fulfil her mission as a powerful factor in maintaining the peace of the world.

#### Socialists Hostile

I learn that the Socialist Party dislike the proposals issued yesterday, and that they are determined to oppose the scheme unless the Government can convince them that re-armament is an essential part of the League's policy of collective security.

The scheme may, perhaps, be regarded as a definite hint to all members of the League of Nations to make a substantial contribution of their own.

The cost of our contribution will be staggering.

The main estimates of the three fighting services for the new financial year 1936-37 will be

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Number Thirteen  
 Won £350

THE result of the architectural competition for Harrow's new £65,000 civic centre at Knayston Court was made known last night when 131 designs were submitted. The winning design was No. 13, and was that of Mr. Verner O. Rees, of Bedford-place, London, W.C., who received the award of £350 offered by the Council.

### FOOD STRIKE BY OXFORD STUDENTS

OXFORD University started a new fashion in strikes last night. About 150 undergraduates of Pembroke refused to enter the hall for dinner, as a protest at what they alleged were "unappetising meals" served.

The strike was complete. Not a single man dined. The men's move surprised the Dons of the college when they went to the head table.

An undergraduate stated that the extraordinary thing was that while they had been complaining "from time immemorial" at the poor quality of the food, the high table at Pembroke was looked upon as one of the best in the University.

A three years man said:—"Our strike is not only against the poor quality of the food, but a protest against the rules obtaining in the college. At other colleges men can sign off hall as late as noon and 2 p.m., but at Pembroke we have to sign off by 10 a.m."

#### The Cost

"We have asked that the menu should be ready by ten, but have been told that is impossible. It has been a common thing for years for men to enter the dining hall and on seeing the menu at once leave and go into the city for dinner."

"It is not a question of the quantity of the food, but the quality. We pay 2s. for dinner, plus one penny for a roll. We say we should get something more appetising than we have been getting for some time."

Another undergraduate told the *Daily Mirror* last night: "We shall go into Hall to-morrow as usual, but if the food is not improved we shall simply strike again and carry on until it is."



#### £1,000-A-YEAR CLAIM

Mrs. Margaret Irwin, of Holmbury St. Mary, Surrey, who, at Surrey Assizes yesterday, sued Mr. William Herbert Dunnett, of Leatherhead, alleging that he had made an agreement to pay her £1,000 a year free of tax. See story on page 4.